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Council President Peters Nominates Peñasquitos Woman To Elections Task Force

SAN DIEGO – Today Council President Scott Peters nominated Rancho Peñasquitos resident Faith Bautista to the city’s newly created Elections Task Force.

Ms. Bautista is the owner of San Diego Advertising Specialties and a realtor for Realty Service Center. She is the president and founder of Mabuhay Alliance, a non-profit organization representing 50 Asian organizations in San Diego County, and is past president of the Asian Business Association and Filipino American Chamber of Commerce.

Council President Peters was pleased Ms. Bautista agreed to serve. “Faith has been a leader in our community for almost 20 years. I know that the city will benefit from her insight into elections issues.”

The city’s Elections Task Force was created in February of 2006 and is charged with considering elections-related topics to be approved by the council’s Rules committee, which Peters chairs. Recommendations made to the Rules committee may be forwarded to the full council for consideration.

Peters recognized the importance of the new advisory group. “This task force is one more opportunity for citizens to participate in a more open and accessible government.”

Peters has made transparency one of his goals for 2006. The council has rearranged its order of business to make it easier for citizens to attend, and has devised a more accessible budget process, in addition to the creation of this task force.

The Elections Task Force is comprised of 9 community members nominated by the mayor and council, as well as staff members from offices of the mayor, city clerk and independent budget analyst.

Other members include former City Clerk Chuck Abdelnour, Deputy Labor Commissioner Cassandra Clady, process server Charles Imes, policy consultants Craig Benedetto, John Kern and Adrian Kwiatkowski and community activist Kevin Davis. City Clerk Elizabeth Maland chairs the task force.

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